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MEDIA RELEASE

Auxiliary Deputies Honored at Award Ceremony

On March 3, 2019, the Lake County Sheriff's Office Auxiliary Deputy Unit celebrate at the 41st Annual Auxiliary Deputy Awards Ceremony.

2018 was a stellar year for the Auxiliary Deputy Unit. 46 Auxiliary Deputies volunteered nearly 12,500 hours of their time to the Lake County Community. This includes numerous traffic control details, call-outs for serious traffic crashes, crime scenes, disasters, and other incidents.

According to *Independent Sector*, in 2018, the estimated value of volunteer time was \$24.69 per hour, which means the Auxiliary Deputy Unit saved Lake County Taxpayers approximately \$307,000.00 in 2018.

Numerous awards were presented at the ceremony, but the top awardees were:

Auxiliary Deputy of the Year: Auxiliary Deputy Bruce Zimmers
Auxiliary Command of the Year: Auxiliary Deputy Chief John Doherty
Probationary Auxiliary Deputy of the Year: Auxiliary Deputy Ricky Ignacio
Top Call-Out Hours: Auxiliary Deputy Bruce Zimmers
Top Detail Hours: Auxiliary Deputy Bruce Zimmers

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "I am so impressed by the dedication of the men and women serving in our Auxiliary Deputy Unit. This dedicated group volunteers thousands of hours each year to the Lake County Community, saving taxpayers hundreds-of-thousands of dollars. Congratulations to Auxiliary Deputy Chief John Doherty for earning 'Auxiliary Command of the Year,' Auxiliary Deputy Bruce Zimmers for earning 'Auxiliary Deputy of the Year,' and Auxiliary Deputy Ricky Ignacio for earning 'Probationary Auxiliary Deputy of the Year.'"

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